

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

GANT ITEMS.
Such a grand rain we did have Sunday morning. The corn looks fine. — A very large crowd gathered in at the ice cream supper Saturday night at Salt River; cleared something like \$40. It was an awful hot night. That evening the thermometer registered 104 in the shade. — Mrs. T. J. Jerman is staying with Mrs. Kate McCarty, who has been real sick. Dr. Farmer of Centralia has been to see her twice her temperature was 103 last Friday. — Hugh Miller was thrown from a loaded wagon of bundles and badly hurt last Thursday evening. He was taken home and Dr. Jackson was called. The excitement broke his mother's nerves down and she is in a serious condition. Hope she will soon regain strength. — Archie Dickie is at L. McCarty's trying to thresh. Mr. McCarty had 70 acres of grain altogether, wheat and oats. — We have new neighbors at Grant, they live in the Winkle property. A man and his wife by the name of Eaton. — No Sunday School Sunday, too rainy for once. — Joe Smith and family were at Joe Berrey's Sunday evening. — The Gant school didn't commence Monday, August 1st. Don't know just when it will commence. — Uncle Charlie Berry visited Roe Stowers and family Sunday evening.

POWELL'S FORD.
We have had some fine rains in the last few days. We hope for more such rains this week. — Farmers are through with their threshing and are hoping to be able to plow for wheat soon. — Miss Mary Cordelia Mason returned home last Thursday from several weeks visit with relatives in Omaha. — Mrs. Cook, of Kansas City, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Dudley. — Turner Lewis lost a good horse from lockjaw, last week.

PRAIRIE HILL ITEMS.
J. E. Northcott shipped six hogs last Monday with the Farmers Shipping Association for which he received \$11.10. — Threshing is about done in this community. Raymond Motley finished two weeks ago and is now threshing in the Wright neighborhood southeast of New Harmony while pulling down there he had the misfortune to turn his separator over in a ditch but without damage Jim Maxwell is now running his tractor for him. — Allen Beedle and the Barnes Company machine finished last week. — Mr. Beedle is now threshing near New Harmony. Trabee has only a few more days. — Wheat is making about 15 bushels of fair quality, oats about 20 bushels but poor in quality. — All are glad to see Mr. Nation out again. — The Ladies Auxiliary of the Michigan Farm Club met with Mrs. A. L. Motley Wednesday afternoon. — The Prairie Hill Farm Club met Friday night August 5th. Let all come. — Will Evans and wife came Friday afternoon to help their son aPul, thresh Saturday. — The daughters of Will Fowler of Vandalia visited Ina May Daniels last week. She returned home with them Saturday to continue the visit. — John Raymond, the small son of Cecil Pease, has been quite sick since Wednesday. — Joseph, Fay Utterback's little son, is also sick. — Mary Nan Johnson is spending the week visiting his cousin, Lucile Dunfee of Perry and DeLaporte Johnson is visiting his grandparents, the DeLaportes in Laddonia. — John Walker's sister of Chicago and his father of Martinsburg visited last week. — Johnnie and Roxie Heim went home with uncle, Milas Price Saturday morning to make Grandpa Price a visit. — A few from this neighborhood attended the picnic at Laddonia Saturday. — J. E. Trower and family attended the funeral of his nephew, Jap Trower, at Gazette Thursday. Mr. Trower was one of the victims of the horrible threshing machine accident near New Hartford. — Hannah and Ramon Daniels are visiting their uncle Frank Daniels. — Les Williams and wife gave one of those delightful ice cream suppers Saturday night for the pleasure of their guests. Alec Williams and wife of St. Louis, Thos. Williams and wife gave one of those delightful ice cream suppers Saturday night for the pleasure of their guests. Alec Williams and wife of St. Louis, Thos. Williams and wife gave one of those delightful ice cream suppers Saturday night for the pleasure of their guests.

THIS GENT TELLS THE VERY LAST THING IN SNAKE STORIES
Now comes a bona fide subscriber who tells this one about a snake in his hen house and swears to it. A big black snake was in the place swallowing eggs by the wholesale. After indulging in a goodly number he quietly curled himself twice thru the handle of an old jug, tying himself in a nice knot there. While in this reclining position his eyes caught one fine looking egg that he had evidently missed—and there was no missing anything so good as a fresh laid egg, so he proceeded to swallow it—whole.
Now this same subscriber hearing the cooing of his hens was attracted that way and found the snake a captive. He had swallowed a white door knob that had been used as a nest egg, holding him fast in the handle of the jug.
The name of said subscriber may be had on application at the office.

J. G. Merideth, who for the past two years has been principal of McMillan High, is spending a few days in Mexico, after traveling during the summer for Christian College. Mr. Merideth will be principal of the high school at Moberly this coming year.
Thermometer Falls to 61.
Friday's high mark of 100 caused some consolidation on the part of heat sufferers if it had anything to do with bringing the mercury down to 68 Saturday night and to a new minimum of 61 Friday night. The precipitation Sunday was .33 inch.
The elusive weather man now says, unsettled, showers and cooler.

C. & A. Smaah up at Slater.
No. 22, eastbound on the C. & A. Mexico at 2:53 p. m. was delayed 2 hours Sunday because of a rear-end freight collision in Slater. No one was injured.
J. E. Streif has purchased the former Hathaway property on S. Jefferson street and is making a number of substantial improvements.
Miss Mildred Ford had returned to Fulton after a visit with Miss Kath. rya Sims.

The Port of Missing Men



Country Club News

The electric lights have been installed in the club and the power is now turned on, so that the place now seems more home-like than ever. Lights are being installed all over the club house.

The furniture that has been purchased by the club is being moved there and soon porch chairs, benches and many other necessary articles will make their appearance.

The private drive-way leading up to the club-house has been improved by the addition of about 20 loads of cinders so that it is now in good condition.

The pressure water system is now completely installed and is ready for operation. Incidentally the farmer isn't the only one who wants more rain, for with only 3 feet of water in the big cistern the club members can hardly avail themselves of the shower baths yet.

The range in the kitchen has been installed and everything made ready for cooking there.

Lockers that will be installed in the basement are now being made and will be ready for use in a short time for those who wish to don golf clothes at the club.

Plans for installing a system to water the greens are being considered by members that will keep these in good condition thru the dry months. The proposed plan is to furnish water for a storage tank that will be erected in the northeast corner of the course by damming up the small creek that runs westward across the links. Pipes can then be laid to all the greens and they will be watered regularly.

No-one can be happier than club members to know that the death trip under the C. & A. trestle as been finally eliminated and the two-way passage is in use.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Eeton are the proud parents of a fine 8 pound baby girl born Friday morning. Mrs. Eeton was formerly Miss Ethel Woods. Both mother and babe are doing fine. Col. Jeff Woods, the grandfather, is wearing a smile that won't come off as well as the proud father, Clarence.

Hollie Brewer returned to his home in Palestine, Texas, Friday, after spending his vacation here with his father, J. W. Brewer, and grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Brewer.

Col. E. Y. Burton and R. R. Wagion motored to St. Louis this week and returning home Friday became stuck in the mud east of this city.

Mrs. Ida Downing, Miss Myrtle Downing and J. W. Downing of Fulton visited in town Thursday.

Tom Cox and family have returned from their vacation spent in Clarkburg.

H. B. McKinley and wife are home from a delightful trip through the West.

Miss Ann Guthrie has returned from a visit with relatives in Jefferson City.

Mrs. L. B. McBride, who has been visiting here has returned to her home in Sedalia.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lawrence of Sikeston are here for the funeral of Mr. E. Wise. Mrs. Lawrence is a sister of Mr. Wise.

Mrs. J. W. McCubbin of Laddonia is visiting relatives in Mexico.

Heavy Rain Will Benefit Corn Greatly

Andrain and surrounding counties received the first good rain since July 4th Thursday when .7 of an inch of rain fell in Mexico, according to the official observer.

The precipitation in the morning was .09 inch, according to Mrs. Abbie Shoddy and in the evening .61 inches fell.

Corn in this vicinity was badly in need of moisture and in some sections was beginning to curl. Chinch bugs were also doing wide-spread damage, but the heavy rain will result in the killing of a great many of them.

The rain was general in most of the surrounding counties, according to telephone reports that stated it was especially heavy south and west of Mexico.

The thermometer surprised a good many by climbing to 101 Thursday, the fourth time that it has passed the hundred mark this month.

Damage Suit For \$25,000 Will Come up Here

A suit for \$25,000 has been filed in the Circuit Court for the September term by Mrs. Mary E. Nunn of Bowling Green who was injured by a St. Louis & Hannibal train in Bowling Green August 30, 1921.

The petition of the plaintiff alleges that she was crossing the tracks of the defendant company with due precaution on the above date and that she was struck by a locomotive and did thereby receive injuries that entitle her to damage of \$25,000.

The case has been brought here on a change of venue.

The case of A. E. Nichols for public roads, has been brought here from Callaway on change of venue.

Slater Disappointed Fans.
Altho the Slater nine was scheduled to cross bats with the local boys Sunday a telegram to Manager Roberts saying "will be unable to play there tomorrow, will explain later" was all the satisfaction he could get from them. Phone calls placed for the manager of the Slater team were without avail.

The Paris nine is on the board for next Sunday.

Married by Judge Shannon.
Heskett Williamson and Bertha Hopkins, both of Fulton were married Saturday afternoon by Judge Shannon.

Mrs. Ramsey and little daughter, after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Ness have gone to Carrollton, Ill., on a visit. They were accompanied by Miss Pauline Van Ness.

Mrs. Joe Bush has returned home a visit with her mother, Mrs. Jane Davis of Fulton.

Mrs. Ernest Garrett is in Marshalltown, Iowa, visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Wiggs.

Mrs. James U. Cullen and children are visiting Mrs. Cullen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Coontz have rented the A. S. Houston home on east Monroe street and expect to start housekeeping at once.

Maj. J. H. Whitmore has returned from a very pleasant trip in eastern Missouri.

MOVIE NEWS

Mrs. Charlotte Pickford is building a summer home chiefly for the use of her children on the Southern California coast.

Tom Moore, about the last of the Goldwyn stars, is to leave that banner and go with another.

Paramount and Ann Forrest have parted company and that efficient actress is to play with various companies.

Tom Mix gave President Harding a treat by calling at the White House on his way back from his friend Dempsey's little party.

Seena Owen was so ill in New York that they were going to send her little daughter on from Los Angeles. She's on the mend now.

Hundreds of tents have gone up on the desert near Oxnard, Cal., to represent a great Bedouin camp for scenes in "The Sheikh," which George Melford will make with Rudolph Valentino and Agnes Ayres in the leading roles.

Julian Eltinge is recovering nicely from the illness with appendicitis, which alarmed his friends.

The ball which President Harding pitched at the opening of the American League season in Washington has been received by Douglas MacLean, with the President's autograph thereon.

After a considerable absence from the producing ranks Monroe Salisbury is preparing to star in another picture.

House Peters's latest production has been given a title—Peggy House Peters. The popular actor also has a 5-year-old boy.

Harry Rose, who is with the Eagle-Picher Lead Co., in Kansas City, is spending his vacation here.

Mrs. John Barclay has returned from a visit with her parents in Moberly.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson and family are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Arnold.

Major Harry Hawley and family are home from Ft. Sill after a pleasant summer there.

E. J. Ellidge and wife and W. G. Demmark and wife of Laddonia visited in Mexico Thursday.

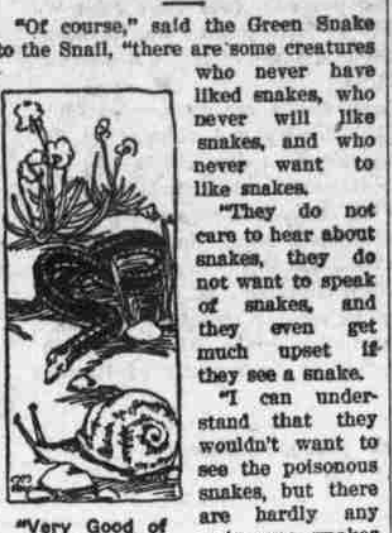
Miss Eliza of Washington, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Claybrook. She stopped here on her way to Atlanta, Mo.

Mrs. R. L. Gooch and Miss Opal Gooch left Saturday for a trip to Niagara Falls, Buffalo, and New York City. They will make an extended trip through the East.

Mrs. Joe Donnelly left Monday for Madison, Mo., where she will visit her father, L. C. Maupin, for two weeks. She and Mr. Donnelly will then go to points in the East, including Rochester, N. Y., Niagara Falls and Buffalo.

Mother Ver? Ill.
Joe Toy, employed at George Wong's laundry, received word Friday that his mother, Sena Golley, was very ill at her home in St. Louis.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale
MARY GRAHAM BONNER
THE GREEN SNAKE.



"Very Good of You."

"Of course," said the Green Snake to the Snail, "there are some creatures who never have liked snakes, who never will like snakes, and who never want to like snakes. They do not care to hear about snakes, they do not want to speak of snakes, and they even get much upset if they see a snake. I can understand that they wouldn't want to see the poisonous snakes, but there are hardly any poisonous snakes in this land, hardly any at all, and they are off from here, way, way off from here. But I should think that now that the summer is here and now that the weather is hot it would be pleasant for people to think of me."

"What makes you think that?" asked the Snail.

"Of course," said the Green Snake, "I know that creatures who don't like snakes at any time won't want to think of me and of my family now, but still, for those who do like snakes I should think they would want to think of me."

"You see, I am a little Green Snake, a pleasant little Green Snake, and I should think it would be pleasant to think of a green snake on a hot summer day."

"Green is such a cool, nice color. I should think people would like to think of me and of green cucumbers. Both very pleasant thoughts for people. And I give them quite free of charge."

"Good of you," said the Snail, "very good of you."

"You know," said the Green Snake, "some very unfair things get around about snakes. Now, take the Milk Snake, for example. That's the family name of certain snakes. Many of them have been killed because people think they steal milk from the farms."

"But there is no truth in that, not a scrap of truth. Snakes don't care for milk at all. A snake would have to be actually passing away with thirst to be willing to swallow any milk."

"And that unfair story has gone around so much about the Milk Snake."

"It is an unfair story," said the snail. "I'd go about and try to undo the harm the story has done, but I move so slowly that I'd not be of much help. Still, whenever I get the chance I will tell creatures that that story about the Milk Snake is quite untrue. As a messenger I'd never be of much use."

"That is true," said the Green Snake, "but do what you can. Everything helps, you know."

"Why are you so fond of the color of green?" asked the Snail. "It is not only because it is a cool summer color, is it?"

"Not only," the Green Snake said. "I am a little snake. It is true, and I have to look out for myself."

"You know I can't scold you about moving slowly, for I'm one who moves slowly too."

"The green snake never gets about quickly, and so I think it is well to have a suit that matches the plants I am apt to be near."

"Then, if I keep still, creatures don't know I'm about, and I save myself from many narrow escapes in that way, or rather, I should say, I don't have the narrow escapes that I otherwise would have if I were not of the green color."

"Now, I am a well meaning enough creature. I would like to talk about the creatures that don't mean well."

"There's the Poison Ivy family. They love to do harm with their three-pointed leaves which go together in all the family groups."

"Then there is the Fly, who is a cross creature, going where he isn't wanted and yet caring a bit about whether he carries sickness with him or not. No one should torture or pull off his legs, or anything mean like that, but it is well to get after him with one good swat."

"And the Mosquito, too! He's a mean one! Oh, what a mean one he is. Yes, I don't think snakes should be disliked so much, when there are other creatures worthy of being disliked. That's what I think, Mr. Snail."

Mistaken.
Billy—Father, you know that pie in the pantry you told me not to eat. You said it would give me a pain.
Father—Yes, what about it?
Billy—Well, it didn't.

John Dearing, who has been suffering from an infected hand, is improving.

The Rev. W. C. Cowart has gone to Chicago University where he will study for a month.

Mrs. Mamie Craig has returned home after a few days visit with Fulton relatives.

DAMAGE SUITS FOR \$150,000 FILED HERE

Two damage suits for \$75,000 each have been filed in the Circuit Court by Jacob L. Smith and S. L. Kopman of St. Louis, both against Harry B. Fargo the agent of a Bureau doing fire adjusting losses.

The suit arose out of a fire that damaged a stock of goods in a St. Louis furniture store to the extent of \$298,000 as alleged by the plaintiffs.

The defendant called the plaintiffs thieves and crooks when they presented claims for that amount.

Albert Brown has filed suit for divorce against Elmer Brown on charges of desertion and failure to support.

Considine and Wales have filed an attachment suit against J. D. Owens on account.

Rev. Emerson Addressed Community Meeting

Rev. F. W. Emerson preached the sermon at the Community Service Sunday night to the largest audience that has gathered on the Court House lawn thus far this summer. His topic was "A Canary in a Coal Mine," and his theme that of community co-operation.

Rev. Emerson told of the present inter-dependence of peoples and communities and brought out the fact that people could not live alone in the present generation, whether they tried to or not.

"Community development" the speaker said "is the basis if national development, so it is patriotic to serve your community."

"The basis of it all, however is individual development and on this the world depends."

Rev. Emerson gave as the three fundamentals in individual development the home, the school and the church.

Besides those who occupied chairs near the speaker, 106 cars were counted, most of them filled.

GLASGOW NINE TAKES SECOND FROM JEFF CITY, SPOILING SWEET REVENGE

When the Glasgow nine took on a well known pitcher named Shackelford they started something. "Shack" has a dark "emery ball" that batters cannot touch and with which he has annexed every game he has pitched this season.

Last Sunday Glasgow was scheduled to connect with Jefferson City and every one made big preparations for the game. The Jefferson City boys, after making sure of their lineup sent word to the Glasgow pitcher to "bring his 'emery ball' and all his wares" and come on over and they'd cover any coin he had up to \$2,000.

Not to be daunted the Glasgow boys hit Jeff City with everything asked for and the Capital City boys proceeded to "cover" the coin.

The game was never in doubt except in the ninth frame, when "Shack" walked two men, but calmed down to such an extent that he put over 9 straight strikes and ended the contest 2-0 in favor of Glasgow, whereupon the visitors rolled home with some 2,000 extra samolians.

Yesterday the Jeff City boys with some imported diamond talent and a large quantity of the coin of the realm invaded the Glasgow country for a return debate, but alas, "Shack" took the game again, 1-0 after striking out 23 men. The only run of the contest was made by Glasgow in the ninth frame after an eight inning dead-lock.

Now the Jeff City fans are mourning in sack-cloth and ashes and looking back on the disastrous ending of what should have been a sweet revenge.

W. C. Sullender of Overland was a visitor Wednesday.

D. H. Stevens of Monroe City visited in town Thursday.

E. R. Reynolds of Wellsville was a business visitor Wednesday.

A. L. Hale has returned to Auxvasse after a short business trip.

Miss Helen Austin is visiting Miss Edna Braden in Laddonia.

Frank Cauthorn is home from Colorado Springs for a short vacation.

Curtis Mitchell has returned from an extended trip thru the east.

Swan Ferguson of New Bloomfield was among the out of town business visitors who spent Wednesday in Mexico.

J. R. Towson and wife have returned from a motor trip to Booneville and Marshall.

Miss Maude Wallace left Thursday for a visit in Excelsior Springs.